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- The Communist Party in Yugoslavia is secretly spreading the news that through their political astuteness they have forced the United States to give them assistance, and that after all possible aid from the West has been received they will make peace with Moscow. War rumors are spread by the regime solely to increase foreign aid, and are not really believed by responsible officials. However, the morale of the Party members is currently very low. Cominformists are still very numerous in the Army and the UDB.
- 2. While the terror has been relaxed, the population is still frightened, as well as economically ruined. The masses of the people see the United States as their only salvation, and anti-regime propaganda is becoming increasingly stronger.
- The morale of the Army is very low, with the soldiers dissatisfied at the Communist pressures on their native villages. Army officers who belong to the Party are fearful of their prospects in case of war and a change of regime. The dependability of the Army in case of war is highly questionable.

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